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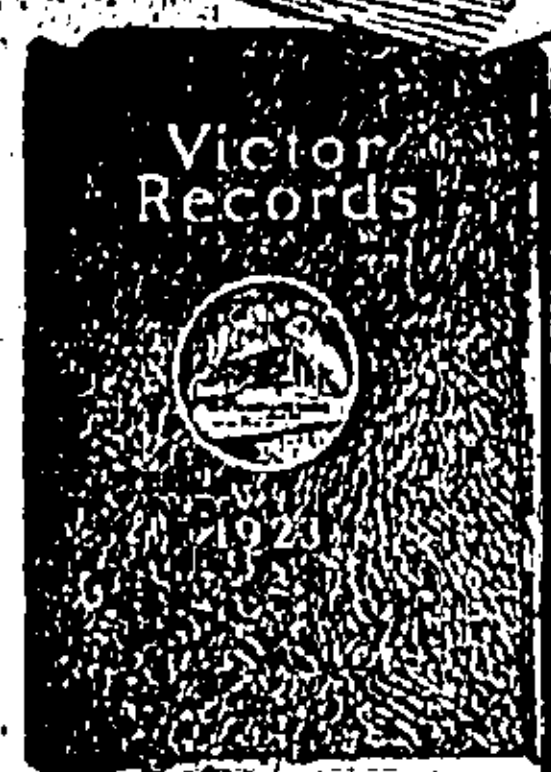
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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuters Service, the China Mail.)

### EMPIRE NAVAL CO-OPERATION.

#### AUSTRALIA'S NORTHERN TERRITORY.

MELBOURNE, March 26.

The Premier, Mr. Bruce, commenting on the arrival of New Zealand's flagship, the "Chatham" for exercises with the Australian fleet, hoped that such mutual co-operation would be extended to the whole of the dominions and the motherland, thus realising Empire naval co-operation without sacrifice of dominion entity. The Pacific would be the venue of future events, therefore it was necessary for the Pacific powers to have the closest possible unity.

Hoping to establish the "nucleus of a white, contented population the Federal Government proposes to divide the Northern Territory into four land districts for the settlement. Pastoral leases will be issued for 42 years and agricultural and town lots sold."

### PROFESSOR EINSTEIN.

#### RESIGNS FROM L.O.N. COMMITTEE.

GENEVA, March 26.

Professor Einstein's sudden resignation from the committee of the League of Nations on intellectual cooperation is described here as a "Brickbat thrown into the blue waters of the League." Professor Einstein was appointed to the committee in May 1922, but was absent from the meeting in August 1922. His absence was believed to be due to the unfavourable attitude of the German universities towards the League but Professor Einstein wrote to the Chairman saying his absence was due to his forthcoming departure for Japan, assuring that it was his desire actively to cooperate with the committee on his return. One Swiss paper comments on his resignation as showing that Professor Einstein is more German than Swiss, despite his Swiss naturalization.

### AMERICA'S RHINE BILL.

#### NEGOTIATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

WASHINGTON, March 26.

Mr. Hughes in reply to the second proposal of the Allied representatives for the payment of the costs of maintaining an American army in Germany sent a cable to Mr. Wadsworth, the American representative in Paris, who will deliver it at the meeting to-morrow of the committee of the Reparations Commission which is considering the question. It is unofficially believed that the reply indicates the willingness of the United States to deduct from the total claim the value of German property which came into the possession of the American army as a result of the armistice—probably about 53,000,000 gold marks.

### BURMAH OIL.

#### NO BRITISH MONOPOLY.

WASHINGTON, March 26.

Mr. Hughes has sent an identical communication to the secretaries of the interior, commerce and the Federal Trade Commission in regard to the statements that Queen Victoria signed a proclamation in 1884 and an agreement was made with Britain in 1885 excluding American oil companies from Burma and protecting the Burma Oil Company from all foreign competition. He says the British Government stated that these documents were spurious and the State Department accepted the statement.

### TURKISH COUNTER-PROPOSALS.

#### UNITED ALLIED FRONT.

LONDON, March 26.

The Allied delegates state that conversations in London have resulted in a complete Allied front vis a vis the Turkish counter-proposals.

### INDIAN SALT TAX.

DELHI, March 26.

The Legislative Assembly by 58 votes to 47 finally rejected the Finance Bill as it passed the Council of State thus refusing the double salt tax.

### TREASURY BOND ISSUE.

LONDON, March 26.

The issue of the Treasury Bond is expected to be announced to-morrow.

### THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/4 1/16.  
To-day's opening rate 2/4 1/16.

### HEAVY NAVAL GUN RANGES.

#### NO BRITISH INCREASE.

LONDON, March 26.

In view of the misapprehension in certain quarters in regard to Britain's attitude towards the range of heavy naval guns as affected by the Washington treaties it is pointed out that the United States Senate recently voted a sum for increasing the range of American naval guns in view of the alleged increase in range of the British main batteries contrary to the terms of the Washington treaties. It is now definitely stated that the range of British guns has not been increased since the Treaties were concluded and the United States was informed accordingly when the Senate voted the money. Competent circles in London point out that the clause in the Washington treaties in regard to the elevation of gun mountings is somewhat ambiguous and it is alleged that the signatories might thereunder possibly justify an increase in the range of their heavy naval guns but such a step has certainly not been contemplated by Britain, at any rate.

### FRANCO-SWISS ARGUMENT.

#### "SWISS DEMOCRACY FLOUTED."

BERNE, March 26.

Painful surprise has been excited in Switzerland and by a note from the French Government requesting the Swiss Government to enforce as early as possible the Free Zones Convention of August 7, 1921, although a referendum in Switzerland on February 18, 1923, overwhelmingly refused to sanction it. The newspapers, even the pro-French ones, unanimously condemn the attitude of France as flouting the Swiss democracy. Free zones were established under a treaty at Vienna in 1815 to meet the peculiar geographical situation of the Canton of Geneva which is surrounded by French territory. A Franco-Swiss agreement in 1860 when Savoy became French withdrew the French customs frontier some miles in order to permit free trade with Savoy but the Franco-Swiss convention of August, 1921, abolished the zones. The French contend that the convention accepted by the Swiss parliament should not be subjected to a referendum.

### M. CLEMENCEAU AS FILM PRODUCER.

#### "THE VEIL OF HAPPINESS."

PARIS, March 26.

The filming has begun of M. Clemenceau's work "Le voile du bonheur" for the film production of which Clemenceau recently signed a contract. The plot is laid in China, the principal character being a blind poet who magically recovers his sight only to find that his friend had stolen his work and his wife is unfaithful and finally he tears out his eyes in order that the veil of happiness may never again be rent. All actors except one woman are Chinese amateurs. The furnishings were brought from China and the scenes have been constructed with the greatest attention to detail. M. Clemenceau is personally superintending the filming.

### AMERICAN SHIPPING.

#### GOVERNMENT OPERATION CONDEMNED.

WASHINGTON, March 26.

Replying to the request of the Shipping Board for suggestions, the American Steamship Owners Association in a letter recommended the Board to retire from business, scrap all inferior vessels and sell the remaining tonnage to American citizens without restrictions, all vessels unsold after a reasonable time to be scrapped. They opine that the American mercantile marine in foreign trade cannot be built up through Government operation.

### EGGS FROM CHINA.

#### BRITAIN'S 1922 IMPORTS.

LONDON, March 26.

In the House of Commons replying to questions, Lt.-Col. Sanders states that 1,057,000 eggs were imported into the United Kingdom from China in 1922 compared with 458,000 in 1921.

### AUSTRALIAN SUGAR.

#### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S DECISION.

MELBOURNE, March 26.

The Federal Government has decided not to enter an agreement with the Queensland sugar growers for the purchase of sugar from the Government.

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(all tapestry covered), oil paintings,  
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etc.

Also  
Teak sideboard with bevelled glass,  
Dining table and chairs, dinner  
waggon, ice chest, Teak tables, glass  
cabinet with glass shelves, Dinner and  
Tea services, glass ware, etc., etc.

Brass and Iron bedsteads, double and  
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Also  
One Moer Safe,  
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Terms:—Cash on delivery.  
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Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

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A Quantity of  
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Comprising:—

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Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

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## The First Wallpaper.

Kensington Palace, remarks the  
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been the first building in England  
decorated with wallpaper—a form  
of decoration which, in the opinion  
of some speakers at the Conference  
of Master Painters, will shortly be-  
come obsolete. William Pyne, the  
historian of Kensington Palace,  
relates that Kent, the architect  
employed by George II. to re-  
decorate the Palace, made a start-  
ling departure by papering "the  
King's great drawing-room." The  
effect was much admired, and "the  
new art of paperhanging, being  
both cheap and elegant, was gener-  
ally adopted in preference to the  
old-style velvet flock hangings."

## How Progress is Retarded.

"The Progress of Medicine"  
was the subject of the address by  
Professor Bramwell in his intro-  
duction to the Montreuil-Amnott  
Chair of Clinical Medicine in  
Edinburgh University. Professor  
Bramwell said that all advance in  
medical knowledge had been  
founded upon observation and a  
correct appreciation of the "rela-  
tionship of cause and effect." My-  
sticism, superstition, and an undue  
veneration for authority had been  
the chief factors which had from  
time to time retarded progress.  
Various forms of mental healing  
were popular from time to time,  
and yet, if the public only knew  
it, these were merely adaptations  
of the psychotherapeutic measures  
which they are constantly employ-  
ing, and the results obtained no  
more striking than those obtained  
by the physician.

## Trapped by Monkey.

A remarkable story of similar  
intelligence, says a Paris message,  
credits a small monkey named  
Caleb with having captured a  
burglar. Caleb's owner, on return-  
ing to his flat, found the door open  
and the room in disorder. The  
monkey was sitting before the  
locked door of a large cupboard.  
Caleb refused to budge until his  
master, suspecting the fact, set a  
trap for the monkey. The monkey  
was shot, and a man was  
revealed standing inside with his

hands up. He explained that he  
had entered the cupboard for the  
purpose of stealing the contents,  
when the monkey crept up, locked  
the door, and mounted guard till his  
master's return. The burglar was  
handed over to the police. Caleb  
disappeared, and has not been  
heard of since.

## New Air Distress Signal.

New arrangements for the  
salvage of aeroplanes that may be  
forced to alight in the Channel will  
be in operation during the forth-  
coming night flights between  
London and Paris. Owing to the  
difficulty of distinguishing the  
letter "S" by telephone, the inter-  
national distress signal "S.O.S." will  
give place to the words "May-  
day," the phonetic equivalent of  
"Maldez," the French for "Help  
me." During a recent test a R.A.F.  
flying-boat, descending in the  
Channel, gave the international  
distress signal three times by  
wireless telephony and reported  
that her engines had failed. The  
message was picked up at Croydon  
and Lympne. The Civil Aviation  
Traffic Officer at Lympne telephoned  
to the Dock Master at Dover,  
and within twenty minutes of the  
distress call a tug from Dover was  
alongside to give assistance, hav-  
ing steamed about three miles. No  
special warning had been given to  
Dover to be ready.

## Photographs by Red Light.

Ordinarily, the silver bromide of  
photograph is insensitive to red  
light rays, but by dyeing the film,  
it is possible to cut off the shorter  
rays and make the longer ones of  
the red end of the spectrum do the  
work. A new dye recently tried,  
called cryptocyanin, makes the film  
so sensitive to the extreme red,  
the longest visible rays, that photo-  
graphs of landscape may be obtain-  
ed by "it" almost instantaneously.  
Such photographs look strange for  
chlorophyll, the green colouring  
matter of leaves and plants, pour  
out much of the energy it absorbs  
from sunlight in the form of red  
rays invisible to our eyes, but very  
visible to the "dye" film. Hence  
green leaves appear as white, as  
snow, just as, if they were self-  
luminous. It has been suggested  
that by photographing Mars with  
these new plates it should be  
possible to settle the question  
whether the disputed markings on  
that planet are vegetable growth.

## Mysterious Silver Discovery.

During the past week a Span-  
ish man, by the name of Antonio  
Garcia, by heating certain rocks  
and substances in a crucible with  
sulphuric acid, he has discovered  
in his laboratory some small silver  
particles, which he has named  
"silver dust." These substances, which  
are the product of silver, have  
been found in the same manner  
in the same manner, and the  
discovery has aroused the interest

of chemists, many of whom called  
upon him and examined his work.  
But they could not explain his  
findings. Some thought them  
fantastic. The inventor himself  
has not been able to offer a  
scientific explanation. He is not a  
University man, but is a trained  
technician. Dr. Tsuneya Maruasa,  
professor of applied chemistry in  
the Kyushu Imperial University,  
and Dr. Sadahiko Sato were great-  
ly interested in his work, and  
are conducting investigations  
with a view to finding the  
scientific explanation for this  
discovery. Dr. Sato has re-  
cently announced that he can  
isolate silver from some substances  
which do not yield silver by the  
usual analytical methods, but has  
not yet advanced a scientific  
explanation. — Popular Science  
Sittings.

## "Bored Stuff."

In a little seaside hotel at which  
I was recently staying I met an  
elderly lady who had been living  
there for some two years (writes  
Phyllis Murray in the Star). She  
was a kindly old soul, capable, one  
would imagine on first acquaint-  
ance, of enjoying the friendship of  
youth as well as of those of her  
own generation; but, as I soon dis-  
covered, both youth and age avoid-  
ed her to the extreme limits of  
politeness—for she was a bore,  
equipped to the highest degree with  
the faculty of making any conver-  
sation into which she entered un-  
interesting. The original topic  
mattered not at all. A few  
sentences from Mrs. Brown,  
and all talk became as flat  
as stale soda-water. I puzzled for  
quite a while over this. It was an  
other visitor to the hotel—a man of  
nearly 80 years of age, but  
full still of enthusiasm and  
joy de vivre—who finally opened  
my eyes, and he did it  
in one short sentence. "My  
dear," he said, when we were dis-  
cussing together the case of Mrs.  
Brown, "she always talks subjects  
and never people." That phrase,  
simple and obvious as it was, gave  
me the solution of the mystery.  
One had only to think back over  
conversations with Mrs. Brown to  
see that the secret of her dullness  
was here disclosed. She was  
always talking people instead of  
subject. A discussion on electricity  
would remind her of how the old  
vicar once explained the town from  
dove hell. Talk of books would  
recall to her what Canon Se-  
and-So—a very dear friend of my  
husband's—thought of Alice in  
Wonderland, mention of foreign  
countries would inspire her to en-  
thusiasm, and references to the trivial  
adventures of friends and  
relations in which one could not  
possibly take any interest, it was  
always the same thing—the sub-  
ject of people, people, people in  
every department of conversation.

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## INTIMATIONS.

## NOTICE.

BRITISH LEGION.  
(Hongkong & China Branch.)

THE SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, 27th March, 1923, at 5.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Accounts for the year 1922, and of electing members of the committee for the ensuing year, and of appointing honorary auditors, and of dealing with any other business.

By Order of the General Committee.  
H. K. HOLMES,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 21, 1923.

## ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

THE ANNUAL SPORTS will be held at 1.30 p.m. on THURSDAY, 29th March, at Happy Valley. Prizes will be distributed by LADY STUBBS at 5.30 p.m.—There will be an Old Boys' Race of 220 yards. All Old Boys are cordially invited to join.

Hongkong, March 26, 1923.

## G. R.

## EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANT TEACHERS (European) are required at once. Applications, with particulars of qualifications and experience, and copies of testimonials should be addressed to:

THE HON. DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION  
Education Department.  
Hongkong, March 24, 1923.

## UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

MATRICULATION AND SENIOR LOCAL EXAMINATIONS, JUNE, 1923.

THE above Examinations will be held in the week commencing MONDAY, June 11th, 1923. Entry Forms together with the statutory fee of \$15. H. K. Currency should reach me not later than April 1st.

No scholarships will be awarded at this Examination.

Copies of old Examination Papers, including those set in November, 1922, can be obtained from my office, price \$1. per set.

N. TRESDALE MACKINTOSH,  
Registrar.  
Hongkong, March 26, 1923.

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## THIS PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN DULY FILED WITH THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES.

The Subscription List will open on SATURDAY, the 24th day of March 1923 and close on or before SATURDAY, the 31st day of March 1923.

## HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

Incorporated under the Companies Ordinance 1911-1921.

Capital \$2,000,000 divided into 200,000 shares of \$10 each.

Of the above shares 100,000 have already been subscribed for cash by the Directors and their friends. On these \$250 per share will be paid on application and the balance when called up on the same basis as the remaining capital.

In addition the Directors are allotting 30,000 shares credited as fully paid up under the terms of the Option and subsequent correspondence thereon referred to in paragraph (a) hereof.

The remaining 70,000 shares ranking equally with those already subscribed are now offered for public subscription payable as to \$250 per share on application. The balance due on each share, viz., \$750 will be called up on subsequent demand and when further capital is required.

Any of the shares now offered to the public which may not be subscribed for will be allotted in such manner as the Directors shall determine.

## DIRECTORS.

JOHN SCOTT HARSTON,  
1, Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong,  
Solicitor & Notary Public.

Hon. Mr. CHOW SHOU SON,  
Bank of East Asia, Ltd.,  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
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JAMES HARPER TAGGART,  
Managing Director,  
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.,  
Powell's Building,  
Hongkong.

The Very Rev. FATHER LEON ROBERT,  
Procureur General des Missions Etrangeres,  
1, Battery Path,  
Hongkong.

ARTHUR RYLANDS LOWE,  
3, Queen's Road Central,  
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Chartered Accountant.

FRANK MALCOLM LANE CRAWFORD,  
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Chater Road,  
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Comptroller,  
Hongkong Hotel,  
Hongkong.

PETER KINGSON KWOK,  
Bank of East Asia, Ltd.,  
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Hongkong,  
Merchant.

## BANKERS.

The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

## AUDITORS.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Alexandra Building,  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
Victoria, Hongkong.

## SOLICITORS.

Messrs. DEACON, HARSTON & SHENTON,  
1, Des Voeux Road Central,  
Victoria, Hongkong.

## REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE COMPANY.

Powell's Building (2nd floor),  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong.

## SECRETARY OF THE COMPANY (pro tem).

T. A. BARRY,  
Powell's Building, (2nd floor),  
Des Voeux Road Central,  
Hongkong.

## PROSPECTUS.

(a) This Company has been formed principally to acquire by purchase (under the terms of the Option and subsequent correspondence thereon hereinafter mentioned) from Lane Crawford Limited (whose Registered Office is situated at 100, House Street, Victoria, Hongkong) and develop by building thereon the land registered in the Land Office as Section A of Marine Lot No. 7 and commonly known as "The Wiseman Site" situated in Des Voeux Road Central Hongkong. The purchase price of the land is \$1,000,000, \$300,000 of which will be satisfied by the issue to Lane Crawford Limited of 30,000 shares of the Company credited as fully paid up. Of the remainder of the purchase price, \$149,781.80 will be paid in cash, and the balance of \$551,218.20 will be satisfied by the taking over by the Company from Lane Crawford Limited of the Mortgage (repayable on the 30th April 1927) for that amount now subsisting on the property in favour of Lane Crawford Limited and carrying interest at 8% per annum.

In addition to the purchase price payable as above, the Company will under the Option hereinafter mentioned, pay the brokerage of one per cent. on the purchase price amounting to \$10,000 which is referred to in paragraph (b) hereof, and also indemnify Lane Crawford Limited to the extent of \$26,304.30 in respect of the Plans and Specifications referred to in paragraph (c) hereof.

The Option for the acquisition of such land bears date the 5th day of March 1923 and is made between Lane Crawford Limited as Vendors of the one part and Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, one of the partners in the firm of Deacon, Harston and Shenton the above mentioned Solicitors to the Company, as Trustee for the Company of the other part. A copy of this Option and the subsequent correspondence thereon can be inspected at the Office of the said Solicitors to the Company (No. 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong) at any time during business hours. A copy of the Mortgage above referred to which bears date the 5th day of May 1922 and is for a term of Five years from that date can also be inspected at the same place and time.

There are no other Contracts relating to the land to be acquired by the Company.

On the land to be acquired as above by the Company it is proposed to erect a modern seven-storied building with a Basement, so as to afford accommodation for Stores, Shops, a Safe Deposit Vault, and First-class Office Rooms, particularly suitable for professional people. The Site is considered to be specially favourable for such a building, being in the centre of the business part of the City and close to the Hotels, Banks and Shipping Offices, etc.

(b) In respect of the above mentioned Option a brokerage of 1% on the purchase price of \$1,000,000 amounting to \$10,000 is payable by the Company to the Solicitors to the Company in respect of the sale of the land the subject of such Option.

(c) Under the last mentioned Option the Company are to be under the obligation of indemnifying Lane Crawford Limited to an extent not exceeding \$26,304.30 in respect of the cost of certain Plans and Specifications prepared in 1922 in connection with the building which Lane Crawford Limited at that time proposed to erect on the said land.

(d) No other commission or promotion money will be paid by the Company.

## INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above named Company is issuing a Prospectus dated the 23rd day of March, 1923, a copy of which has been filed with the Registrar of Companies, inviting subscriptions at par for 70,000 shares of \$10 each payable as to \$250 per share on application and as to the balance on subsequent demand and when further capital is required.

The subscription list is now open and will be closed on or before the 31st day of March 1923.

Copies of the Prospectus, and forms of Application can be obtained from the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and from the temporary offices of the Company in Powell's Building, (Second Floor), Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

This Notice is not to be regarded as an invitation to the public to subscribe for shares and application will only be received on the footing of the full prospectus and in the form issued therewith.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1923.

T. A. BARRY,

Powell's Building,  
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(f) The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment is seven shares.

(g) The Articles of Association provide that the qualification of a Director is to be the holding of \$1,000 shares in the Company and that the remuneration of each of the Directors is to be \$1,000 per annum.

(h) Directors are interested in the promotion of the Company as follows:—

(1) As to Mr. Harston in respect of the brokerage mentioned in clause (b).

(2) As to Messrs. Taggart, Lowe, Crawford and Harston to the extent that they are Directors of Lane Crawford Limited who are the Vendors of the land to be acquired by the Company.

(3) As to Messrs. Taggart, Lowe and Harston to the extent that they are Directors of the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited who are Shareholders in Lane Crawford Limited.

(4) As to the Rev. Father Robert to the extent that he is a Director of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company Limited who are Shareholders in Lane Crawford Limited, the Vendors of the land.

(5) As to all the Directors other than The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, Fung Tat Heng and Peter Kingson Kwok that they or some of them are Directors of other Companies with whom the Company may do business.

(i) Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company can be inspected at the aforementioned Office of the Solicitors to the Company at any time during business hours.

(j) A copy of the Company's Memorandum of Association is annexed to the Prospectus and forms part of it.

(k) Application for shares should be made upon the Form attached to the Prospectus, which should be detached therefrom and sent to the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) together with a remittance of \$250 per share, the amount of the deposit.

Where no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full, and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, a proportionate amount of the deposit will be returned.

(l) Prospectuses can be inspected at and Forms of Application obtained from the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) and at and from the temporary office of the Company in Powell's Building, (Second Floor), Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

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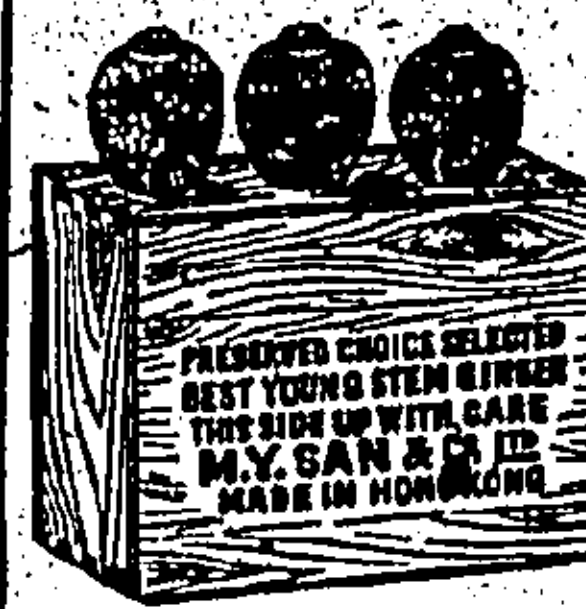
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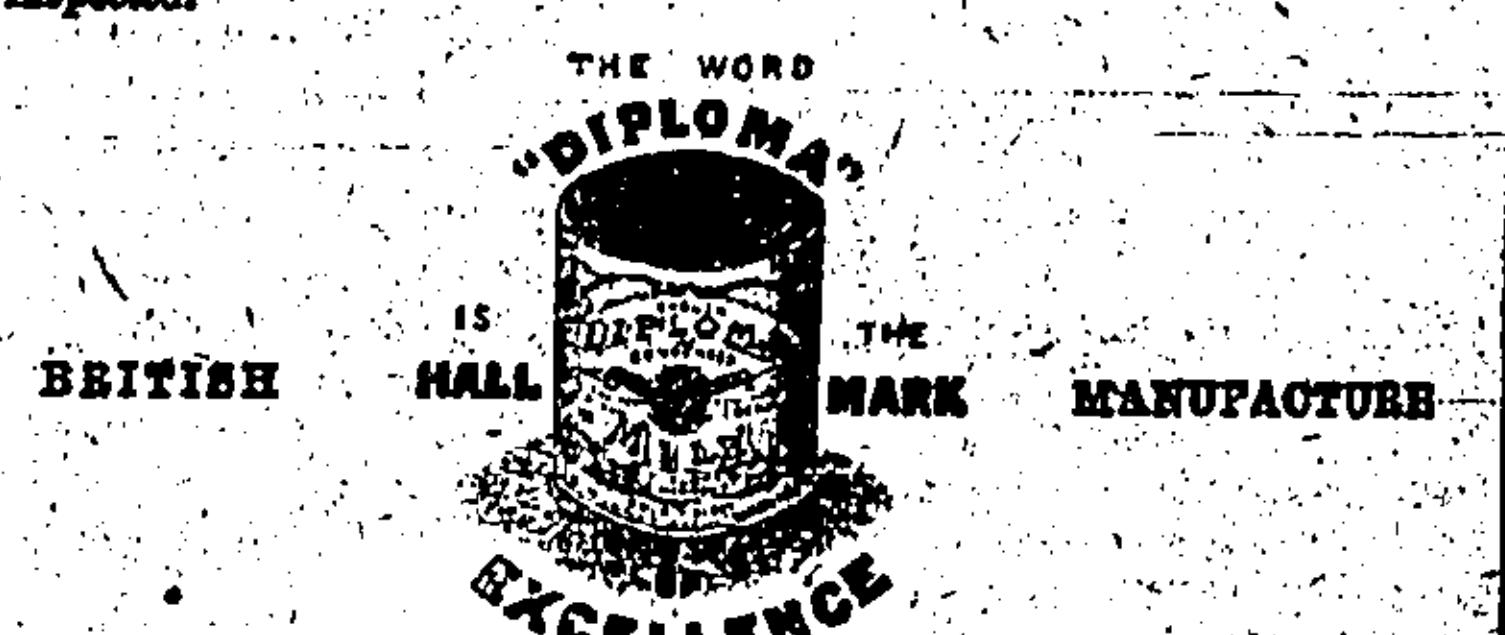


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Mr. E. A. da Silva and his sister,  
Maria Stella, thank their relatives  
and friends for floral tributes and  
expressions of sympathy in their re-  
cent and bereavement.

### BIRTHS.

KARLBECK.—On March 19,  
1923, at Nanking, to Mr. and  
Mrs. O. Karlbeck, a daughter:  
D'ALMEIDA.—On March 21,  
1923, at 253P.D. Haining  
Road, Shanghai, to Mr. and  
Mrs. T. G. J. d'Almeida, a  
son.

### DEATHS.

RUDLAND.—On March 17, 1923,  
at Shanghai, Margaret, beloved  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
John Rudland, of Kinkiang,  
aged 2 years.

WHALEY.—On March 21, 1923,  
at Shanghai, Emerson P.  
Whaley, late of Anderson,  
Meyer & Co., Ltd., of pneu-  
monia.

SINCLAIR.—On March 17, 1923,  
at Wharfedale, Bournemouth,  
England, George Gordon Sin-  
clair, late of the Chinese Mar-  
itime Customs.

TIMM.—On March 18, 1923, at  
Shanghai, Captain Timm, H.  
St. L. s.s. "Ludendorff," aged  
58 years.

VICTAL.—On March 20, 1923, at  
Shanghai, Vivalda Wenceslas  
Victal, aged 41 years.

## The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 1923.

### DISARM OR PERISH.

Surely everyone now realises that  
unless the nations speedily disarm,  
our civilisation, already badly  
shaken, will be crushed. States  
organised for war. H. G. Wells has  
said: "The world will be just as surely  
as it will be by force. And who  
will deny that this Europe is not  
now organised for war?"

now organised for war? Seeking  
mischievous for armed hands, the War  
Devil will not have to look. In-  
deed, he need go no further than  
the Ruhr where the flames of hate  
are already licking the scraps of  
paper which hold Europe's precari-  
ous peace together. "Unless some  
strong hand can even now clutch  
Europe and rescue her from the  
slope down which she is slipping the  
catastrophe of peace may yet be-  
come far greater than the catastro-  
phe of the war." This grave warning  
uttered recently by  
General Smuts rings only too true.

The next war, which has now be-  
come an accepted prospect, will see  
weapons far more destructive, far  
more hellish than 1914 ever dream-  
ed about. Indeed, Professor Gil-  
bert Murray, lecturing in March  
last, said that the terrific engines  
of destruction now invented would  
put what happened in the last war  
"completely in the shade." "Sir  
Oliver Lodge tells me," he con-  
tinued, "that there is a corrosive  
poison now invented, one drop of  
which, falling upon a person, would  
produce death. And Mr. Edison  
says there would be no difficulty in  
blotting out every sign of life by  
bombing in the course of a few  
hours. I don't think, however,  
that that is the most important new  
discovery. The new thing, which  
has changed the face of the whole  
problem, is that we now possess the  
power of drawing upon every corner  
of the community for the common  
service of war, which makes war a  
far-reaching and devastating experi-  
ence for the whole population." Professor Murray sees the only hope  
in the League of Nations, but the  
League must undergo drastic

changes for the better if it is ever  
to become a real world force. "Born prematurely and crippled at  
its birth," the League—quoting  
Wells again—has become, indeed,  
with its absolute and unqualified  
constitution, and its manifest

limitations of power, a serious  
obstacle in the way of any effective  
relationships. "Had this not been  
true the Ruhr question—indeed the  
whole reparations problem—would  
not have been left for any one  
nation to run amok with, but would  
have long ago been settled in the  
best interests of all Europe—the  
whole world. George Bernard  
Shaw holds that complete disarm-  
ament is impossible, and the events  
of the last few years would certainly  
seem to confirm his view. Assuredly  
the Washington agreement, which  
yesterday's cables report, still the  
subject of much haggling, has  
limited naval armaments but it has  
left untouched submarines and air-  
craft, weapons which one nation  
(with a small navy) now largely  
relies upon for defence and aggres-  
sion alike. Modern wars, we have  
learned to our bitter cost, play  
terrible havoc with economic life.  
Supplementing the danger this  
entails for civilisation, now comes  
the more direct threat of the aero-  
plane which can blot out whole  
cities, despite the strongest efforts  
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### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The exchange banks will be  
closed for the transaction of public  
business on Good Friday, Saturday  
and Easter Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. O. Marriott and  
Mr. W. J. Hawker were among the  
passengers arriving by the  
"Empress of Canada" to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman MacGregor  
returned to Shanghai by the  
"City of Poota." They have spent  
a holiday at Home, and on the way  
East stayed for a fortnight at  
Singapore.

The Imports and Exports office  
will be closed on Good Friday.  
On Saturday and Easter Monday  
it will be open for all purposes  
till 12 noon. Licensed warehouses  
will be closed on those dates.

Mr. H. W. Robertson, a  
director of Messrs. John Swire &  
Sons, Ltd., London, with Mrs. and  
Miss Robertson have arrived in  
Shanghai from Hongkong and will  
be staying there for a time.  
They are the guests of Mr. and  
Mrs. E. F. Mackay.

At present staying at Govern-  
ment House are the Marquess and  
Marchioness of Sligo who will  
probably leave Hongkong again in  
a few days. The Marquess, who  
served in Afghanistan in 1880, is  
an F.S.A., and F.Z.S. and an  
F.R.G.S.

The Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold  
Storage Co., Ltd. announce that  
departments will be opened at the  
Peak Hotel Store on Tuesday,  
April 3, where Wiseman's bread  
and cakes, Lane, Crawford's pro-  
visions and the company's dairy  
products, meats, fresh fish, veget-  
ables, fruit and ice can be obtained.  
Peak residents are invited to avail  
themselves of this store.

The marriage of Mr. J. B.  
Taylor and Miss Eugene Gern-  
norova was solemnized on March  
17 at the British Consulate, after  
which a reception was held at  
their future home 172 North  
Szechuen Road, Extension. Mr.  
Taylor has been a resident of  
Shanghai many years, while his  
bride, after her arrival from Lon-  
don, had held a position in  
the Victoria Nursing Home.

It has long been recognised  
that the tram track at the corner of  
the City Hall and between the old  
pavilion of the Hongkong Cricket  
Club is a dangerous angle and  
creates a good deal of congestion.  
A scheme is now under considera-  
tion for taking the present bound-  
ary fence of the Cricket Club back  
to a line which will run practically  
through the centre of the old  
pavilion, allowing an additional  
road space of 35 feet. This sug-  
gested improvement will be very  
welcome, both from a pedestrian  
and vehicular traffic point of view.

The funeral took place yester-  
day afternoon of Capt. Samuel Van  
Runkel, master of the Rotter-  
damsche Lloyd's "Arakan" who  
died in the French Hospital on  
Sunday, following a stroke of  
apoplexy. Up till Saturday morn-  
ing deceased appeared to be in  
his usual health but his cabin boy,  
on going to his cabin, found him  
lying on the floor unconscious. He  
died on Sunday afternoon after  
being immediately conveyed to  
the hospital. Captain Van Runkel  
was 48 years of age and had been  
skipper of the "Arakan" for about  
ten years. In San Francisco he  
leaves a widow and a grown-up  
daughter.

### "DIVINE SARAH"

#### DEATH IN PARIS.

BRILLIANT CAREER ENDS.  
PARIS, March 26.  
Sarah Bernhardt died at eight in  
the evening.

#### Discussed Funeral Arrange- ments.

An earlier cable stated—  
Madame Sarah Bernhardt had a  
bad night and her condition is  
critical. She woke up in a state  
of coma in the afternoon and a  
priest was summoned. During the  
period of consciousness she gave  
detailed instructions regarding a  
funeral, requesting plenty of  
flowers. She referred to a rose-  
wood coffin she had made thirty  
years ago. The doctors are amazed  
at the vitality of the patient.

#### Her Peaceful End.

LATER.  
Madame Bernhardt expired  
peacefully without suffering, in the  
arms of her son. She received the  
extreme unction late in the after-  
noon after which morphia was  
injected. The members of her  
family and household gathered in  
the death chamber where they re-  
mained till the end. The room  
was soon after filled with flowers.

#### A Wonderful Woman.

Queen of the French stage for a  
generation, Madame Sarah Bern-  
hardt, "la divine Sarah" as she  
was called, was 78 and had acted  
periodically in England for 43  
years. She made her bow in  
London in 1879 in "Phedre" at  
the Gaiety Theatre. She suffered  
courageously the amputation of a  
leg in the spring of 1915.  
Her own description of herself  
was that she was sensitive, violent,  
morbid, self-willed, generous,  
affectionate, ambitious, proud,  
headstrong. As a tragedienne she  
was superb, with a golden voice  
that will ring ever in the memory.



Mme. Sarah Bernhardt.

Among other distinctions she  
was awarded the cross of the  
Legion of Honour in 1913 and was  
made an Officer of the Order in  
1921. To her histrionic talents  
was added considerable ability in  
the fields of sculpture and painting  
and she wrote several books and  
plays as well.

### MORE TOURISTS COMING.

#### THE "SAMARIA'S" CRUISE.

The new and luxurious Cunard  
Steamship, "Samaria," 20,000 tons  
register, has been chartered by  
Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son for a  
cruise round the world, and left  
New York on January 24. Her  
itinerary includes: Funchal  
(Madeira), Gibraltar, Algiers,  
Naples, Port Said (for Cairo),  
Bombay, Colombo, Calcutta, Ran-  
goun, Sumatra, Java, Singapore,  
Manila, Hongkong, Shanghai,  
Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Hon-  
olulu, San Francisco, Balboa, Cri-  
stobal, thence to New York.

This is a Golden Jubilee World  
Cruise commemorating the Fiftieth  
Anniversary of the first escorted  
tour that ever made a circuit of the  
globe—a pioneer tour in 1873-78  
under the leadership of Thomas  
Cook himself.

The membership of the cruise is  
limited to 400 passengers, who are  
accompanied by experienced tour  
managers, and the steamer is due  
to arrive at Hongkong on the 2nd  
April, and to sail for Shanghai on  
the 6th April.  
During the stay of the "Samaria"  
in Hongkong, excursions will be  
made to various points of interest,  
including Canton and Macao.  
Amongst the passengers of the  
Cruise will be a large number of  
distinguished and eminent persons  
who will be eagerly anticipating  
their visit to the Far East.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### BRITISH EDUCATION HERE.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Prince's Building, Hongkong,  
27 March 1923.  
Sir,—I shall be much obliged if  
you would kindly publish the en-  
closed for the information of the  
public.

Yours faithfully,

H. E. POLLOCK.

(Enclosures.)

The Honourable:

Colonial Secretary.

Sir,—As Chairman of the  
Public Meeting at the City Hall on  
the 8th instant on the "Education  
of British Children in the Colony,"  
I beg leave to inclose for the in-  
formation of the Government a  
copy of the Resolutions which  
were passed at that Meeting. I  
should be obliged if you would  
kindly let me know for the in-  
formation of the Public what steps  
the Government proposes to take in  
the matter.

2. You will have already received  
from the Secretaries of the Con-  
stitutional Reform Association and  
the Kowloon Residents' Associa-  
tion the resolutions re the Housing  
question which were passed at the  
Public Meeting at the City Hall on  
the 19th instant.

I should be obliged if you would  
kindly let me know for the in-  
formation of the public what steps  
the Government proposes to take  
in the matter.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(signed) H. E. POLLOCK.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. That kindergarten schools for  
children between the ages of 5 and  
9 years be established, on the most  
modern methods, with specially  
trained kindergarten teachers in  
charge at the Peak, Kowloon,  
Quarry Bay, and Causeway Bay and  
in some part of the Central Dis-  
trict of the City.

2. That it is essential that  
British Boys and girls above the age  
of 9 should receive a better educa-  
tion in this Colony than at present.

3. That such education should be  
of such a character as to enable  
scholars on leaving school at the  
age of about 17 years to pass the  
standard of the London matricu-  
lation examination.

4. That in order to avoid dupli-  
cation of the teaching staff, a school  
for the co-education of boys and  
girls be established.

5. That such a school should be a  
day school and not a boarding  
school.

6. That the staff at such schools as  
regards teaching qualifications,  
approximate so far as possible to  
the present staff of Queen's Col-  
lege, and that continuity of staff,  
especially of the seniors, should be  
secured.

7. That it is essential, in order to  
make such a school as is suggested,  
a success, that the parents should  
carefully co-operate with the staff  
of the school in:

(1) Maintaining strict disci-  
pline over the boys and  
girls; and  
(2) In securing the regular at-  
tendance of the boys and  
girls at school.

8. That adequate playing  
grounds should be attached to the  
school and that the playing of  
games should be compulsory for  
boys and girls.

### MACAO CHARITY'S

#### WINDFALL.

MR. LEE HY SAN'S

#### MUNIFICENCE.

The following is a translation of  
an article which appeared in the  
Portuguese Newspaper, *O Liberal*,  
of Macao, last Sunday:

"We have heard the news that  
Mr. Lee Hy San, the Macao opium  
farmer, has just made a gift to the  
Santa Casa da Misericordia of  
Macao, of the sum of ninety thou-  
sand dollars, which are to be de-  
voted by this benevolent institution  
to charitable purposes, in the man-  
ner it may best think fit.

"We have been informed that Mr.  
Lee Hy San has received an official  
letter from the worthy President  
of the Santa Casa, thanking him for  
his generous gift, stating also that  
he was going to appoint His Excel-  
lency the Governor of this donation.  
He has also received a communica-  
tion from the Government and the  
Chief of the Finance Department in  
the name of His Excellency the  
Governor, tendering his sincerest  
acknowledgments for his munificent  
offer, and expressing the highest  
consideration and esteem in which  
Mr. Lee Hy San is held by him."

Mr. Lee Hy San is already well  
known for his acts of philanthropy.  
To quote an example, it is known  
that during the Beamen's Strike in  
Hongkong, he succeeded in getting  
ships to bring rice and provisions  
to Macao, so that the place was  
not starved. He has also been  
helpful in the general relief work  
of the colony. He is a man of  
high character and his munificence  
is a source of pride to the colony.  
The above mentioned gift is worthy  
of praise.

### LONDON LETTER.

#### ATTACKS ON MR. ASQUITH'S HONOUR.

London, February 18.  
Parliament has again resumed for  
the spring session and a stormy one  
is forecasted.

The issues to be faced are many  
and serious, both at home and  
abroad. The opposition party is  
determined to force decisions on  
several questions and will press for  
a definite policy with regard to the  
French occupation of the Ruhr, un-  
employment and housing. Rumour  
has it that incidentally the attack  
on Mr. Asquith's honour will be  
removed as the accusers are sup-  
posed to have strengthened their  
case. The previous accusation, it  
will be remembered was that he had  
used his political influence to secure  
a large Government grant for the  
Sudan Syndicate in which his rela-  
tives were interested. It was of  
course repudiated at the time but it  
will be interesting if further  
developments follow.

#### THE DUKE'S WEDDING.

The engagement of the Duke of  
York to a Scottish lady has been  
the great subject of discussion  
recently. This lady and her family  
have been very generous to inter-  
viewers and have described how the  
Prince proposed three times in all,  
how she met him first when both  
were children and what kind of ring  
she is going to get to seal her  
betrothal.

After a spate of intimate details  
regarding the courtship, a decided  
reaction has set in and even quite  
respectable Tory and Liberal papers  
have begun to suggest that the  
limits of good form are being over-  
stepped. Among certain circles the  
subject has become taboo and  
under penalty of forfeit if men-  
tioned. Needless to remark the  
Socialist newspapers have not failed  
to use the occasion to draw invidious  
comparisons. The Duke it seems  
gets £10,000 a year and this sum is  
increased to £25,000 upon marriage.  
One paper of advanced views under  
the heading "The Dear Duke"  
works out the whole thing very skil-  
fully in pounds shillings and pence  
and contrasts the duke's £15/- per  
week, which so many are receiving,  
against the Duke's £480-15-6.  
It serves its purpose as excellent  
propaganda. Meanwhile Lady  
Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon has set the  
fashion in sapphires for engagement  
rings.

#### THE NEXT WAR.

When France decided to enter  
the Ruhr district to enforce pay-  
ment of reparations from Germany  
people were at first undecided  
whether to back up France or sym-  
pathise with Germany. For some  
time the former view held prece-  
dence but lately opinion is veering  
round against the whole business.  
To put it shortly it is being bluntly  
stated that France does not want  
payment but prefers to seize the  
best part of Germany. Now we  
are being warned to watch France  
which it seems is likely to usurp a  
much stronger position in Europe  
than was Germany's before the  
war.

Interference is being counselled  
and against France. The nations  
are being orientated anew and this  
time with Britain and Germany on  
the same side. It is perhaps an  
awful thought to suggest but if war  
were to break out again with France  
as our enemy no doubt our recent  
allies would soon be depicted as  
fence while the Germans would  
become all that is kind and cul-  
tured.

According to reports from Europe  
the Germans sought aid from Lenin  
who declared that the Russians  
have undergone a psychological  
change and now nothing will make  
them fight. The same change is  
not, it would seem, entirely confined  
to Russia as war weariness is evi-  
dent in this country. The last  
thing wanted here is another war.

#### TURKEY.

The great desire is for a speedy  
settlement of the Turkish affair, if  
that can be reached. The negotia-  
tions are dragging out, possibly  
because of jealousy between France  
and Britain and Italy. At present  
we are maintaining an army of over  
30,000 men together with a large  
navy on a war footing in the Straits  
not to mention numerous details in  
Palestine and Mesopotamia. Last  
year we spent on the latter coun-  
try the sum of £24,000,000 and  
this is reckoned rather good for a  
nation deeply in debt, with a scar-  
city of work, houses and improve-  
ments, economising in a hundred  
petty ways as in education and  
soldiers' pensions.

#### IRELAND.

In spite of it all, Britain is really  
a rock in a sea of trouble. Europe  
is in a worse state than China while  
on the other side Ireland is rapidly  
sinking into anarchy.  
It is impossible to pick up a paper  
without reading of some senseless  
murder, senseless outrage, or wanton  
destruction. The struggle between  
those who accept the Treaty with  
England and those who reject it  
grows steadily fiercer. A notice has  
been issued to the effect that among the  
proposals of the Irish Free State  
Government is that any person  
committing a crime shall be liable  
to an entire forfeiture of his rights  
under the Treaty.

### HAPPY VALLEY ATHLETES.

#### PROPERTY STOLEN FROM CLOTHES.

Chief Engineer Arthur Henry  
Smallwood of H.M.S. "Titania"  
was the complainant in a case be-  
fore Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday  
when a Chinese youth was charged  
with the larceny of his silver Wal-  
tham watch and his eyeglasses.  
According to Det. Sub-Inspector  
G. Cockle, Smallwood laid his  
coat down by a tennis court at  
Happy Valley on Saturday. On  
re-donning his coat to go and play  
golf, he found the property missing  
and thereupon reported to No. 2  
Police Station. The watch was re-  
covered from a pawnshop but the  
glasses were not found. Defendant  
was arrested on information in Ship  
Street the same night.  
Sub-Inspector Cockle asked for a  
short remand as defendant had  
volunteered to direct the police to  
Yau-mati where two other boys,  
alleged to be implicated, are living.  
His Worship ordered a remand  
till to-morrow.

### "THE SHEIK'S WIFE."

#### FINE CORONET FILM.

The best brains in French film-  
helped to produce "The Sheik's  
Wife" which Coronet audiences  
enjoyed thoroughly when it was  
shown to them for the first time  
yesterday. M. Henry-Rousseau,  
who directed the film, served for  
several years as an officer of the  
Algerian Spahis in Africa and was  
therefore able to add to his knowl-  
edged technical skill and dramatic  
art complete familiarity with the  
traditions and customs of the desert  
nomads.

The difficult role of the Sheik  
Hajid Ben Khedim is assumed by  
Marcel Vibert of the Comedie Fran-  
caise and the leading female part is  
played by a youthful actress whose  
ability has far outstripped her age.  
This is Emmy Lynn whose beauty  
is of the blonde type and is seen to  
very great advantage when con-  
trasted with the swarthy appear-  
ance of the handsome Arab chief  
who figures in many "close ups"  
with her.

ing our present social system, while  
the other, which agrees as to com-  
plete separation, favours the Rus-  
sian or Communistic model. If  
this information is trustworthy then  
peace in Ireland is remote. The  
one bright and tranquil spot is the  
north, which is to all intents a part  
of Britain.

#### KING TUTANKHAMEN.

No doubt the news of the mar-  
vellous discoveries has in Egypt  
reached Hongkong. The interest  
they created here almost rivalled  
that excited by the Bywaters-  
Thompson murder trial.  
But the reaction has set in, start-  
ed perhaps by the Turks when they  
suggested that if we were afraid of  
desecration of graves, we should  
remove our dead from Gallipoli and  
transport them home.  
The British press was revolted at  
this "ghoulish" suggestion until it  
was reminded that during the past  
few decades we must have dug up  
and transported several thousand  
corpses without a qualm.

The discovery too have caused  
offence by their methods when  
tourists appear. Exhibits are said  
to be covered up with sheets to pre-  
vent photographs being taken and  
the exclusive film rights of the  
operations are advertised for sale.

The allegation is being made that  
the "find" has been boosted for  
commercial reasons beyond its real  
worth. Sir Rider Haggard writes  
in the *Times* entering a plea for the  
reburial of King Tutankhamen in  
one of the chambers of the Great  
Pyramid, the remains to be sealed  
there with concrete in such a  
fashion that only the destruction of  
the entire block of acres of solid  
stone could again reveal them to the  
eyes of man.

Presently Tutankhamen too,"  
writes Sir Rider, "may be stripped,  
and, like the great Ramesses and  
many another monarch very mighty  
in his day, laid half-naked to rot  
in a glass case of the museum at  
Cairo, having first been photo-  
graphed as he came from the em-  
balmer's bath. Yes, to rot; for  
thus exposed I doubt whether any  
of them will last another century,  
and meanwhile to be made the butt  
of the merry jests of tourists of the  
baser sort, as I have heard with my  
own ears. Is this decent? Is it  
doing as we would be done by?"

#### THE WEATHER.

Signs of winter are still absent.  
No snow worth mentioning has  
fallen and several days in January  
and February were reminiscent of  
Hongkong in November.  
The sun was actually warm and  
the weather genial. The gardens  
are full of snowdrops and crocuses  
and the winter is well on its way.  
In the week-end holiday months for the  
last time, Hongkong is seeking health  
in the sun. Many December, January and  
February visitors are expected.  
—B. D.



## COMPANY MEETINGS.

## CHINA SUGAR REFINERY.

## "BOOM" IN RAWS.

The China Sugar Refining Company Limited held its forty-fifth annual meeting at the offices of the general agents, Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., at 11.30 a.m. to-day.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided and there were also present: The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G. and Messrs. H. P. White, E. J. Chapman and A. O. Lang (consulting committee) E. B. C. Hornell (secretary) and the following shareholders: Sir Robert Ho Tung and Messrs. C. B. Brook, C. C. Boyd, Chao Siu-ki, Choa Po-sien, N. V. A. Croucher, H. Percy Smith, F. M. P. de Graca, A. A. Gutierrez, Ho Leung, Ho Shai-ki, H. E. Hollands, Lo Man-hin, A. Murdoch, U. Rummah, J. M. Shaw and Yuen Hang-kin.

The Chairman said:—The report and statement of accounts have been in your hands for some days, and with your permission I will follow the usual custom and take them as read.

The profit for the year, after providing for Depreciation, amounts to \$172,762.46. The general agents and consulting committee recommended—that the sum of \$30,000 be transferred from Equalization of Dividend Fund to Profit & Loss account, which will make a total of \$202,762.46 available for distribution; that a dividend of \$106—per share be paid, absorbing \$200,000; and that the balance of \$2,762.46 be carried forward to a new account. I trust this will meet with the approval of shareholders.

The unsettled conditions in China during the period under review made business very difficult. There was little disposition on the part of the Chinese to buy our refined products, and the prices obtainable were generally below replacing costs. However, prices for refined gradually improved until, towards the end of the year, they were more on a parity with raws. During the last few weeks there has been a decided "boom" in raw sugar.

Fortunately, we had purchased fair stocks before this came about, and the Refinery is well situated in this respect.

You will notice in the balance sheet the sum of \$335,973.78 under the heading "additions and renewals" to machinery. This is chiefly due to purchase of a new set of boilers, and a new vacuum pan. It is expected that this new plant will result in a considerable saving in our cost of production.

Depreciation on the usual scale has been provided for buildings and machinery, and our plant has been kept in a thoroughly efficient condition by systematic repairs and renewals.

The Swatow property has been cleared of its buildings during the year. The proceeds of the sale of bricks, etc., have been utilized to write down the remainder of the property.

I do not think there is anything further that calls for comment, and I now beg to propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be adopted and passed. When this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions that shareholders may wish to ask.

The Chairman's resolution was seconded by the Hon. Sir Paul Chater C.M.G. and carried unanimously.

On the motion of Sir Robert Ho Tung seconded by Mr. A. Murdoch the present consulting committee were re-elected and Mr. H. Percy Smith F.C.A. and Mr. A. R. Lowe F.C.A. were re-elected Auditors at a remuneration of \$1,500 on the motion of Mr. Chao Siu Kee seconded by Mr. Choa Po Sien.

## HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE.

## A Successful Year.

The fifty-fourth ordinary meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., was held to-day, Mr. D.G.M. Bernard presided and there were also present: The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Messrs. E. J. Chapman, A. H. Compton, A. S. Gubbay, T. E. Pearce and H. P. White (consulting committee), F. C. Hall (secretary) and the following shareholders: Messrs. N. V. A. Croucher, Chao Siu Ki, Ho Leung, A. Dennison, C. S. Remedios, E. P. Alcott, W. E. L. Shenton, A. Murdoch, G. H. Seth, J. Arnold, A. H. M. Da Silva, H. Percy Smith, and H. W. Moon.

The Chairman said:—Your general managers and consulting committee have much pleasure in presenting such a successful account as that for the year 1922, now before you. The account has run off with a credit balance of \$551,140.59, which is approximately \$7,000 better than last for the year 1920, the previous year. The premium income shows an increase of just under \$100,000 and interest an appreciation of \$11,000. These increases, like those recorded last year, are due to increased trading assisted by the lower rate of sterling exchange falling at the end of the last year.

## SCHOOLBOY ATHLETES.

## QUEEN'S COLLEGE SPORTS.

Queen's College held their eighth sports meeting in fine weather on the College sports ground at Causeway Bay to-day. The results of the events run off during the morning were:—

Long Jump (senior championship).—Mok Tai-ching 1, Ng Kan-chuen 2, Ho Tsi-ming 3. Length, 17 ft. 2 ins.

Long Jump (junior championship).—Chung Shing-cheung 1, Leung Po-chuen 2, Li Ki-yuen 3. 100 yds. (senior championship).—Mok Tai-ching 1, Wong Po-lam 2, Wan Kwong-ting 3. Time, 10.4/5 secs.

100 yds. (junior championship).—Chung Shing-cheung 1, Leung Po-chuen 2, Li Ki-yuen 3. Time, 11.3/5 secs.

High Jump (senior championship).—Leung Po-chuen 1, Mok Tai-ching 2, Li Wing-kwong 3. Height 5 ft. 3 ins.

High jump (junior championship).—Chan Siu-tong 1, Leung Po-chuen 2, M. Ranzan 3. Height 4 ft. 9 1/2 ins.

## LOCAL CRIME.

## ROBBERS STAB WOMAN.

Three men took advantage of the door being open on the first floor of No. 18, Chung Hing Street yesterday and entered the premises shortly after noon. In spite of the fact that one of them was armed with a knife and the other with a pistol, the sole inmate, a woman, attempted to run downstairs. She was seized and stabbed four times in the back. The robbers then made off without taking any loot. On admission to the Kwong Wah Hospital, it was found that the woman's wounds were not serious.

Employing the usual *modus operandi* of pretending to make a purchase two men entered a Chinese drug shop at 138, Connaught Road West, at 7.30 last night. They were followed by four others all armed with revolvers. After binding and gagging the master and three *tehs*, the robbers stole \$94 and escaped.

The ratios for losses and expenses work out at 38.34 per cent. and 33.06 per cent. respectively, as against 39.11 per cent. and 30.44 per cent. for the year 1920.

The balance at credit of the working account for 1922 is \$631,603.38, or slightly over \$130,000 better than the carry forward for 1921. This I think you will agree is most satisfactory and though the account has nine months yet to run, we have every hope of being able to record a further profitable term at the end of the current year.

The surplus now to be dealt with is \$551,140.59. We recommend the payment of a dividend of \$32 per share, absorbing \$250,000; the appropriation of \$200,000 to the reserve fund; and the balance of \$95,140.59 at 2/3—£10,604.43 to be placed to the credit of reinsurance fund. The reserve fund will then stand at \$1,800,000, and the reinsurance fund at the substantial figure of £175,989.17.10.

The continued appreciation of gold securities and fall in exchange has further enhanced the investment and exchange fluctuation account, which now stands at \$407,410.51. This account we propose, with your sanction, to leave as it is, pending a more settled state of affairs in the financial markets of the world.

You will, I trust, approve of the usual bonus of 15 per cent on their salaries being granted to the Staff.

The year now under review was not marked by any incident of unusual interest and I do not think there is anything further in the accounts which requires special mention by me. After the resolution, which I am about to propose, has been seconded, I shall be pleased to satisfy, to the best of my ability, any enquiries arising out of the accounts which shareholders may wish to put.

I now propose the following resolution:—

"That the report and accounts as presented, including the payment of a dividend of \$32 per share, an addition to the reserve fund of \$200,000, the transfer of £10,604.43, 3d. at exchange 2/3—£95,140.59, to the credit of reinsurance fund, and the payment to the staff of 15 per cent upon their salaries, be adopted and passed."

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Shenton and carried.

On the motion of Mr. Dennison, seconded by Mr. Chao Siu Ki the following were re-elected members of the consulting committee:—Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Messrs. E. J. Chapman, A. H. Compton, A. S. Gubbay, T. E. Pearce and H. P. White.

On the motion of Mr. Ho Leung, seconded by Mr. Croucher, Messrs. H. Percy Smith and A. R. Lowe were re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$750 each per annum.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OFFICE.

THIS Office will be entirely closed on GOOD FRIDAY, the 29th March. It will be opened for all purposes on SATURDAY, the 31st March and MONDAY, the 2nd April. Licensed Warehouses will be entirely closed on those dates.

J. D. LLOYD, Superintendent, Imports and Exports, Hongkong, March 26, 1923.

## BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS, on FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, the 30th and 31st instant and 2nd proximo.

Hongkong, March 26, 1923.

## HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

## SHIELD FINALS.

(Club Ground), Happy Valley.

SATURDAY 31st March.

JUNIOR.

S.C.A. v. King's, Kick off 3 p.m.

SENIOR.

Kowloon v. King's, Kick off 4.40 p.m.

Sandals \$1 and 50 cents.

Services in Uniform 30 Cents.

## WANTED.

WANTED.—One house or one flat, or one bed-sitting room, furnished or unfurnished. Terms must be moderate. Apply to G.M. Hongkong Post Restaurant.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

"HM Undersecretary have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

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Iron Bedsteads, Teak Wardrobes, Teak dressing table with bayonetted mirror, teak washstand with marble top, Chest of drawers &c., &c.

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A Quantity of Plants and palms.

On View from Monday, the 2nd April 1923.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

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Hongkong, March 27, 1923.

GOOD FRIDAY

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## TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NOTICE.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LTD. beg to advise their numerous patrons that their various Departments will be open during the Easter Holidays as follows:—

## DAIRY DEPARTMENT.

Friday 30th March 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
Saturday 31st 6 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday 1st April 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
Monday 2nd 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

## BUTCHERY DEPARTMENT.

Friday 30th March 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
Saturday 31st 6 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday 1st April 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
Monday 2nd 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.

## ICE DEPOT.

Friday 30th March 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
Saturday 31st March 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.  
do 2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday 1st April 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
Monday 2nd April 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.  
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

## NOTICE.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD. beg to announce that Departments for the sale of Fresh Fish, Fruit and Vegetables will be opened at the Peak Hotel Store on TUESDAY, 3rd April, from which date the following may be procured:

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Fruit & Vegetables, The Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.

Ice, The Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd.

It is hoped that all residents of the Peak District will avail themselves of this Store.

Hongkong, March 26, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP

"WEST PROSPECT"

FROM NEW YORK & BOSTON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being loaded at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Consignment Notes will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 27th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersecretary on or before the 12th prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox., at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

PODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, March 27, 1923.

## STRUTHERS &amp; BARRY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES via JAPAN PORTS and SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"WEST PROSPECT"

having arrived from above mentioned ports Tuesday, March 27th, 1923, Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned or Delivery Orders issued.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 9 a.m. Monday, 2nd April, 1923, by Messrs. Anderson & Ashe, Marine Surveyors.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognised. No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the Godowns and cargo undelivered after 3rd April, 1923, will be subject to rent.

No Fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading in exchange for Delivery Orders immediately.

STRUTHERS & BARRY.

Agents, U. S. S. B. Emergency Fleet Corporation.

Hongkong, March 27, 1923.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

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## COMING EVENTS

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March 27.—Coronet Theatre, "The Sheikh's Wife." World Theatre: Bebe Daniels in "On a Wild Week." Star Theatre: Charles Ray in "The Egg, Grate Wall." April 4.—Pianoforte Recital by Professor Danenberg's pupils at St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, at 5.15 p.m.

## SOCIAL.

April 5.—Concert at Government House in aid of welfare work in London, 9.15 p.m.

May 7.—Concert at Government House in aid of welfare work, 9.15 p.m.

## MISSION.

March 27 to 29.—Mission given by American Jesuit Father in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Glenale, 6 p.m.

## SPORTING EVENTS.

March 29.—St. Stephen's College annual sports, 1.30 p.m.

April 7.—Hongkong Jockey Club Gymkhana meeting.

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## OTHER MEETINGS.

March 27.—Second annual general meeting of British Legion (Hongkong and China Branch) in the City Hall at 5.30 p.m.

March 29.—Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, annual meeting in the old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, at 4 p.m.

## HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the results of the observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Oei during the year 1922. The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty chart, which has been found to be 4 feet below mean sea-level. To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Harbour, add 4 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

| March 20 to 28 1923. |      |               |        | Low Water. |      |               |        |
|----------------------|------|---------------|--------|------------|------|---------------|--------|
| Day                  | Time | Standard Time | Height | Day        | Time | Standard Time | Height |
| Mon                  | 20   | 11 15         | 0.7    | Mon        | 20   | 11 15         | 0.7    |
| Tue                  | 21   | 11 15         | 0.6    | Tue        | 21   | 11 15         | 0.6    |
| Wed                  | 22   | 11 15         | 0.5    | Wed        | 22   | 11 15         | 0.5    |
| Thurs                | 23   | 11 15         | 0.4    | Thurs      | 23   | 11 15         | 0.4    |
| Fri                  | 24   | 11 15         | 0.3    | Fri        | 24   | 11 15         | 0.3    |
| Sat                  | 25   | 11 15         | 0.2    | Sat        | 25   | 11 15         | 0.2    |
| Sun                  | 26   | 11 15         | 0.1    | Sun        | 26   | 11 15         | 0.1    |
| Mon                  | 27   | 11 15         | 0.0    | Mon        | 27   | 11 15         | 0.0    |
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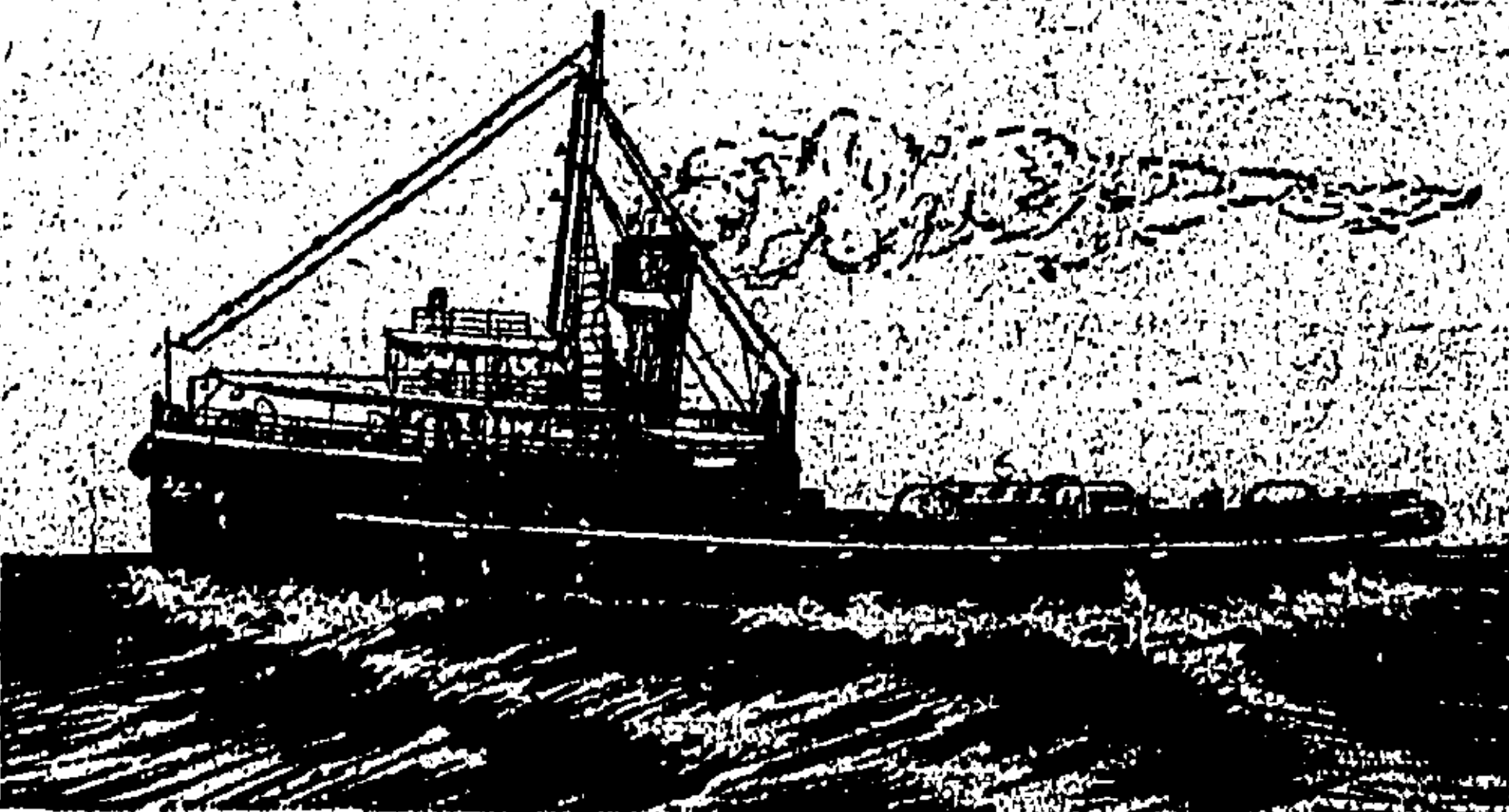
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| "SARDINIA" | 6,850  | 5th May               | do.                             |
| "DELTA"    | 6,097  | 9th May               | do.                             |
| "MALWA"    | 10,641 | 13th May              | do.                             |
| "DEVANHA"  | 8,092  | 17th May              | do.                             |
| "ROUDAN"   | 6,383  | 21st May              | S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay. |
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|         |       |                    |                                    |
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|           |       |           |                                                                              |
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## BROKEN BONDS.

## SOCIETY AND STAGE IN DIVORCE.

## RUSSELL CASE RE-TRIAL.

Society and the stage were represented in the list of cases which came before the Divorce Court.

The fact that cases are now heard at certain assize courts has not considerably reduced the number of cases down for trial.

One of the newly admitted women barristers has been placed on the rota of those who accept briefs in "poor persons" cases.

Viscount Terrington was co-respondent to the divorce petition of Ferrans v. Ferrans and Torrington, which was in the defended list, and the allegations of adultery were denied.

It is not many months since Lady Torrington, society woman and racehorse owner, divorced the Viscount.

## THE RUSSELL CASE.

What is still known as "The Russell Baby Case" was heard on February 27, with a special jury. The petitioner was the Hon. John Hugo Russell (son of Lord Amthill), and formerly a submarine officer, who alleged adultery by his wife (formerly Miss Christobel Hart) with a co-respondent named Mary, which was denied.

The first petition was a "cause celebre" last July, when adultery by the wife was alleged with two young men, an ex-naval and an ex-military officer, and also with a man unknown who was alleged to be the father of a child born on October 15, 1921.

The couple were quite young when they married in October, 1918, the wife, who had held a responsible position under the Government during the war, opening a dress-making business in Mayfair. Afterwards differences arose, and there occurred what the lady described as "Hunnish" scenes between her and her husband—particularly at night.

After a trial of considerable length the jury found no adultery with the two correspondents named, but disagreed on the charge with regard to "a man known." Sir Edward Marshall Hall, K.C., took the place of Sir John Simon, K.C., as leading counsel for the husband.

MISS MADGE COMPTON, the actress, wife of the well-known comedian George Graves, came again to the court for the dissolution of her marriage, which took place at the Liverpool Register Office in September, 1918.

Afterwards she and her husband lived together in the West End of London quite happily for about eighteen months.

Then the wife alleged that her husband started to stay out late at night without giving any explanation and neglected her.

In September, 1921, he said he was not going to live with her any longer and left the flat. A few days later she wrote him:—

My dear George,—Do you really mean to leave me and that you will not live with me any longer?

After you left me on Saturday morning, I waited hoping that at any moment you would come back. The suspense was awful, and the dreadful loneliness of the flat was unbearable. The place seemed desolate and I could not stand it any longer. I know we have not been very happy together lately, but can't we let bygones be bygones and start all over afresh again?

Mr. Graves refused to return, and in consequence Mrs. Graves obtained a restitution order.

Mrs. Louise Geraldine Puckle (the daughter of a well-known General) sought a divorce from her husband, Major Frederick K. Puckle, who did not defend.

Married in 1916, the wife said that her husband soon afterwards went to America with the Balfour Mission. When he returned two years later he seemed much changed, referred to another lady he had met in America, and suggested a separation between himself and his wife.

Finally, Mrs. Puckle obtained a restitution order.

LADY CHICHESTER'S SUIT. A tragedy in high life was the marriage of Lady Chichester, which took place at fashionable St. Paul's Church, Knights-bridge, London, in 1915. Her husband, Sir Edward George Chichester, Bart., had served with distinction with the Naval Brigade during the South African war, and he and his wife lived together at Wilton, place and Hans-place, London, there being two children of the union.

In the winter of 1919 Lady Chichester had an illness, and went abroad. Returning in the spring of 1920, she found her husband changed, and finally he went off and lived at a flat he had formerly used as an office.

He refused Lady Chichester's appeal to return to her, and her lawyer obtained a restitution order. The "suit" for divorce being successful.

WILLIAMS AND HIS WIFE. WILLIAMS, the well-known must-hair artist, was respondent in an undefended divorce petition by his wife, Mrs. Evelyn Evans.

## SKULL DRUMS OF TIBET.

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Drums—big drums, little drums, drums made out of the top of a human skull, over which is stretched human skin! There are hundreds of these gruesome instruments making music in various parts of Tibet, writes Captain T. Howard Somervell, of the Mount Everest Expedition, in the *Daily Chronicle*.

Tibetan music—full of strange haunting melodies, and rhythms manifestly of Tartar origin, and strangely akin to Russian—may be divided into three sections: the folk tunes, the chanting of the Lamas and the orchestral music in the temples.

Nepal tunes, jingling and cheerful, with which our coolies recruited almost entirely from Nepalese tribes—beguiled themselves, prepared us for something different from that Eastern music which is so monotonous and uninteresting to Western ears; but I confess I was astonished when I discovered that the first air I heard in Tibet differed by only one note from the first air in Stravinsky's "Sacre du Printemps."

The airs sung by the people of Tibet, and the quaint little tunes played by mendicant fiddlers on a form of violin with four strings—the bow consisting of two hanks of yak-hair so contrived as to sound on two strings at once—sometimes suggested the traditional music of the Scottish Highlands, and sometimes, when accompanied by a banjo-like instrument, rhythmically twanged that of the negro "spirituals."

The chanting of the Lamas is generally a monotone, varied with an occasional rise of a fifth, and sometimes, when an air is sung, a second and deeper voice sustains a droning bass. But the instrumental part of the ecclesiastical music is the most interesting.

Two wind instruments are employed—a long, straight trumpet, sometimes ten feet long, and a kind of oboe; but the great feature is the "percussion." There are cymbals and gongs and gongs and cymbals, and drums ranging from huge things several feet in diameter to those small ones made of human skulls and skin.

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Without any desire to be flippant, one may say that an imaginative Tibetan may easily discern the ghost of his grandfather in the band!

After the marriage, in 1897, they lived happily together until August, 1920, when the wife alleged that her husband went off with another woman.

Early this year the wife wrote:—My dear Will,—It is now nearly two years since you left me and our children. You cannot imagine the grief and pain you have caused by your absence, and I am now writing to make one more appeal to you to return to us and to resume our married life as it was in the old days.

He replied:—Dear Dinkie,—I am sorry if I have caused you any grief, but I have thoroughly made up my mind that I will not live with you again.

All good wishes.—Will.

The Hon. Mrs. Miriam Isabel Williams (daughter of Lord Rindlesham) had a petition for divorce against her husband, Mr. Godfrey Herbert Joseph Williams, who contested the charges made.

Married in 1901, there were four children of the union, all daughters. In March this year the husband left home declining to live any longer with his wife.

LORD NORTHCLIFFE'S WILL. Among the probate matters still to be dealt with is the suit concerning the estate, estimated at £5,500,000, of the late Viscount Northcliffe, which may come on again at any time.

When the matter was before the court just before Christmas certain testamentary documents were produced, but no pronouncement on them was made by the judge, Sir Henry Duke.

A curious and unexpected development in the situation was the appearance, in person, of a little old lady in black, who made a "protest" because she said she had received no warning, although she had entered a caveat at Somerset House.

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Apr. 12.—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.

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May 17.—B. F. Achilla.

June 7.—B. F. Tyndarus.

July 2.—B. F. Proteclaus.

Aug. 23.—B. F. Achilla.

FROM SEATTLE.

Mar. 31.—B. F. Tyndarus.

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| SHANGHAI via NINGPO   | WONGSANG  | Sat. 31st Mar. Noon.    |
| SHANGHAI              | CHONGHONG | Sat. 31st Mar. Noon.    |
| SHANGHAI and CALCUTTA | KWANGSANG | Sat. 31st Mar. Noon.    |
| SHANGHAI via SWATOW   | WONGSANG  | Wed. 4th Apr. Noon.     |
| KORE via SHANGHAI     | KUTSANG   | Wed. 4th Apr. Noon.     |
| SAIGON                | MAUSANG   | Wed. 4th Apr. 3 p.m.    |
| SHANGHAI and CALCUTTA | POOKSANG  | Sat. 10th Apr. 3 p.m.   |
| KORE via SHANGHAI     | NAMSANG   | Thurs. 10th Apr. Noon.  |
| SHANGHAI              | HOBANG    | Fri. 20th Apr. Noon.    |
| BANGKOK               | HUNGANG   | Fri. 20th Apr. 3 p.m.   |
| BANGKOK via HOIHOW    | CHUNGANG  | Sat. 31st Apr. 10 a.m.  |

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Amounts, several times the upset price are the rule rather than the exception at land sales nowadays, and what would have been considered fabulous prices a few years ago evoked nothing more than mild surprise at yesterday's sales conducted by Mr. L. C. Parker-Rees, the Principal Land Surveyor, at the P.W.D. offices.

A large crowd of Chinese was present before the first lot, 6,825 square feet at the junction of Canton Road and Pakhoi Street, Yau-mat, known as Kowloon inland lot No. 1,566, was put up at an upset price of \$40,000. From \$50,000 and \$60,000, the bidding steadily mounted to \$82,000. A jump of \$500 and two of \$100 took the price to \$82,700 when the property was knocked down to Mr. Lam Dore, contractor, No. 29, Swatow Street.

The second lot created, comparatively, even more excitement. This was a plot of 7,490 square feet at Shaokwan, upset price a dollar a foot. Bids of \$2,510, \$5,000, \$1,000 and \$14,000 took the amount offered to \$30,000. Six bids of \$1,000 and one of \$1,000 followed. Another \$500 made the price \$40,500 at which figure Messrs. Poon Hing-ling, Li Man-chuen and Kan Im-fong became the owners.

#### OBITUARY.

##### MR. G. G. SINCLAIR.

Much regret will be felt at the death, which took place at Home on March 17, of Mr. George Gordon Sinclair, an old China hand who had served with the Customs for over 30 years.

The late Mr. Sinclair joined the Imperial Maritime Customs as a watchman in 1891 and had attained the rank of Appraiser "B" when he was invalided Home last May. He had a large circle of friends in Shanghai, but was even better known in Tientsin where he was stationed for a number of years. Other ports that knew him were Ningpo and Wuhu.

Married some years ago while on furlough, he leaves a wife and four children. Since returning last from leave in 1920 he had been in failing health, but he still remained an active member of the outdoor staff and was fond of shooting and field sports. He was considered an exceptionally good shot and was a keen fisherman. His last recorded address was Nottingham House, Latherton, Cuthbert, but he apparently passed away at Bournemouth, the telegram announcing his death having been dated from the Wharfedale Hotel at that resort.

#### A WARWICK PHANTOM.

##### ALARMED VICAR'S WIFE.

Villagers of Penny Compton and Northend, South Warwickshire, are upset by a ghost, which is said to make regular nightly visits to the Burton Dassett Hills.

Many people, including the vicar's wife—round whom it is said to have made a weird circuit—declare they have seen the ghost.

A youth, driving by a lonely pool, was so frightened that he has never since ventured out after dark, and a shepherd named Neale says he has seen the ghost many times.

#### IS YOUR LITTLE ONE TROUBLED THIS WAY?

Many children in this country are troubled with worms, some of the indications of which are irregular appetite, bad breath, grinding of the teeth in sleep, pain and swelling of the abdomen, irritation in the nose. Baby's Own Tablets the Canadian children's remedy, given for a few days, destroys worms, and a marked improvement in appetite and general health speedily follows.

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Guaranteed free from opiates and absolutely harmless. Yet to the youngest infants, Baby's Own Tablets are a remedy for indigestion, constipation, colic, worms, diarrhoea, and teething troubles. They are obtainable from chemists, or at 6 cents the vial sent free from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 60 Kingston Road, Shanghai.

#### FORTUNE FOR SECRETARY.

##### BEQUESTS TO THREE CREEDS.

Some remarkable provisions are contained in the £78,364 will of Mr. Wilfrid Scawen Blunt, the poet and traveller. He left:—

Black tin box, containing MSS., not to be opened for 30 years.

£200 to a Franciscan monastery chapel.

£200 to Quaker burial ground.

£200 for Mohammedan mosque in London.

£1,000 and bungalow to his nurse.

Residue of his property to his private secretary and niece, Miss Margaret ("Dorothy") Carleton.

Miss Carleton's legacy includes all his letters, papers and copyright; his residence, Fernycroft, and about 30 acres in the New Forest, his farm stock, &c., and the use for life of Springfields Park, his New-buildings estate.

To Mr. Hilaire Belloc, Mr. Blunt left his "Froissart's Chronicles" in four volumes (1574 edition).

The mystery box referred to is labelled "Bequest to the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge," and is left in trust on the condition named, to Mr. Sydney C. Cockerell, of that museum, who also receives a bequest of £500.

A provision of the will already carried out was his burial in New-buildings Wood, "wrapped in my old Eastern travelling carpet, and without coffin or casket." He left £10 to each man engaged at the funeral.

#### THE DINNER JACKET.

##### SHOULD WE WEAR IT?

The fact that the Prince of Wales rather favours the dinner jacket as against full evening dress, whenever the occasion reasonably permits, has been commented on, but without causing any wild turmoil in London.

In New York, however, the matter is taken very seriously, and the Presidents of the National Association of American Merchant Tailors, Mr. Wilbur Stewart, has made a poignant protest on the subject. This authority is dead set on strict etiquette, and lays down the sartorial law like a modern Moses. A dinner jacket is "unthinkable," according to Mr. Wilbur Stewart, if ladies are present in evening dress. He expresses himself so strongly that obviously he regards the presence of a dinner jacket where the ladies are décolleté costumed as a positive indecency. And he refuses to believe that the Prince of Wales would do it. But this hard and fast rule would bar the dinner jacket at the theatre, or even at a big boxing match, at which there are sure nowadays to be ladies in evening dress, and the Prince certainly does not carry convention to that degree at all. Oblivious of the storm in America, H.R.H. appears in a comfortable dinner jacket on all occasions where he is not definitely "full dress" occasions. And most of the smartest men about Town are following his example clately enough.



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#### SHANGHAI GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

##### YEAR'S ACTIVITIES REVIEWED.

##### DISORDER IN CHINA.

A number of matters of general interest were referred to at the annual meeting of members of the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce, held on March 20. Mr. G. H. Stitt presided and was supported by Sir Edward Pearce, and Messrs. C. G. S. Mackie (vice-chairman), B. D. F. Keith, P. W. Massey, B. C. Haile, V. Meynard, N. Lees Smith, M. Nodaria, and the secretary (Mr. R. N. Swan).

In moving the adoption of the annual report and statement of accounts the Chairman said:—

Your thanks are again due to the various Sub-Committees who have sat during the year and devoted a considerable amount of time to the matters under investigation.

TREATMENT OF PHOSPHORUS AND CHLORATE OF POTASH.

It was necessary for the Sub-Committee to meet on several occasions before a basis of agreement could be reached on all points acceptable to the many interests involved but I am happy to state that what appears to be a permanent settlement has been reached and the new Regulations have been incorporated in the Harbour Regulations by a supplement dated February 1, 1923.

Storage of benzine and other hazardous products—It is to be regretted that no further progress has been made in connection with this matter. In March, 1922, your Committee made representations to the Consular Body suggesting that the Customs authorities be pressed to provide, without further delay, a site for the storage of benzine in bulk as recommended by the Committee of Consulting Engineers, but a reply has not been received and as far as I can gather no progressive action has been taken.

THE PILOTS' TARIFF.

Shanghai Licensed Pilots' Association: The sub-committee appointed to investigate the pilotage tariff has been sitting about one year. The meeting of shipping agents and representatives held on September 29 last voted by an overwhelming majority in favour of action being taken to bring about a substantial reduction in the tariff, and with a scheme, prepared by the Harbourmaster, for re-organization of the service as a basis for their deliberations, the sub-committee submitted a report comprising a résumé of the present situation, a criticism of the Harbourmaster's scheme, and recommendations for the future of the service. Unfortunately the sub-committee was not unanimous on all points and a new sub-committee has now been appointed to carry on the investigation. Your special thanks are due to Mr. N. S. Brown, the chairman of the old sub-committee, for the very excellent report he prepared which should prove of great assistance in the committee's efforts to bring about a satisfactory settlement in this matter.

PILFERAGE OF CARGO AT THE PORT OF SHANGHAI.

Pilferage from ships in the port has become so serious that in spite of every precaution being taken for the protection of cargo thefts are increasing in numbers and importance. The organization of the culprits and lack of police protection commensurate with the needs of the port leaves shipowners almost powerless to deal with this most serious matter and it is to be hoped that immediate steps will be taken by the Customs authorities to alleviate the situation.

The Customs are being pressed for a reply to the representations made by this Chamber through that Consular Body, and I understand that the matter is at present being considered by the Inspector-General of Customs.

SHANGHAI HARBOUR INVESTIGATION.

It is a considerable time since the Committee of Consulting Engineers submitted their very able report but up to the present there is little evidence of any advance towards the adoption of the various recommendations put forward. Considerable differences of opinion existed between the leading national Chambers regarding many points in the report but these have been dissipated to a great extent and a general basis of agreement reached on the more important matters. It is to be hoped that speedy effect will be given to the recommendations contained in the report of the Consulting Engineers as modified by this Chamber.

TELEPHONE IMPROVEMENTS.

Shanghai Telephone Service: Your Committee, joined in the general outcry against the inefficiencies of the local telephone service and although no official reply has been received to the Chamber's letter, I am informed that many changes have been made by the Telephone Company, which are designed to bring about the desired improvements.

In this connection you will be interested in the following letter received to-day from Mr. Cole, the Telephone Co. Engineer-in-chief and general manager:

"In reference to your remarks at our last general meeting and confirming my conversation to you yesterday, the improvement which I think you will agree has taken place during the past year has been due principally to the fact that the extensions to our exchanges and the replacement of the aerial wires by underground cables which were then in contemplation have been completed, which we were unable to do before owing to the difficulty in obtaining material. The result of extending the switchboards is that more operators can be placed in the exchanges, and therefore can give better attention to subscribers, and also automatic supervision of the operators at all the Exchanges has been introduced, and we have also been able to obtain additions to our technical staff from Home."

"The new automatic apparatus for the east exchange is being shipped in a few weeks' time, and we are also issuing specifications for an extension of the central exchange on the automatic system."

"During the year between 2,000 and 3,000 tests have been made by a special inspector, standing by the telephone while the subscriber himself made the call, with the following results:—

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which show that in comparison with the latest London figures the actual times of answering a call and clearing a connection are better in Shanghai than in London."

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

Disorder in China: At the invitation of the chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce, Sir E. C. Pearce represented the Chamber at a discussion of this major held during the recent conference of Associated British Chambers, and lent his support to the view taken of the very serious effect which the continued disorder in China is having upon trade with and in the interior. We are all agreed, I feel sure, that disbandment of the unpaid soldiery is an essential necessity, but the devising of a method of executing such a policy is a task of no mean importance.

Debasement of Copper Currency: The Chamber lent its support also to the resolution passed at the Conference of British Chambers voicing their protest against the continued debasement of copper currency. Remedial measures can only be adopted after exhaustive investigation as to the source of the trouble but it would appear that lack of control of Provincial Mints is the chief contributory cause.

Chinese Postal Tariff: Your Committee entered a protest against the increases introduced into the Postal and Telegraph tariffs towards the end of last year, which now have happily been removed.

FINANCES OF SICCAWEI.

Siccawei Observatory: In November last the attention of your Committee was drawn to the financial difficulties met with by this institution and as a token of gratitude for the 50 years' invaluable service rendered to the shipping of the port it was decided to invite shipping companies and agents to contribute annually to a fund created under the auspices of the Chamber for the purpose of providing between £15,000 and £16,000 per year. A ready response has been made to the appeal and there appears little doubt but that the observatory will benefit substantially.

Extraterritoriality: According to news from Peking, the arrival of the International Commission of Jurists has been postponed at the request of the Waikiao until 1924, the reason given being that owing to the unsettled state of the provinces it fears that necessary judicial reforms could not be carried out speedily. In view of the momentous nature of the decisions which the commission have to take the Ministry of Justice has urged the judicial authorities to make all possible reforms throughout the country.

THE SURTAX.

Proposed 2½ per cent. Surtax: The usual chaotic state of China's finances and calls for lively interest. Views regarding the proposed 2½ per cent. surtax are widely divergent but it would appear that any possible benefits to be derived from such a levy must be conditional on other things, viz: the inauguration of a strong and effective Central Government, the consolidation of unsecured and insufficiently secured debts, and the disbandment of troops. A sincere desire has been evinced, from various quarters to aid China in the work of putting her house in order but any considerable financial aid, whether by surtax or otherwise, must prove abortive whilst existing conditions prevail.

Relations with National Chambers: Before coming to my closing remarks I feel it is very necessary that reference should be made to the lack of cohesion between the various National Chambers and this Chamber. Our roll of membership comprises the majority of the important foreign houses of all nationalities, including many of the present members of the Chamber, and it is a matter of regret that many of these houses are not represented by their own national Chambers. An exchange of notes on matters of wide importance can only result in a better understanding and the unity

#### STAR DISCS.

##### WONDERFUL MEASURING INSTRUMENT.

"For his application of the interferometer to astronomical measurement," Professor A. A. Michelson, of Chicago University, has been awarded the gold medal of the Royal Astronomical Society. The presentation was made at the annual meeting of the society at Burlington House.

Behind the somewhat awesome name of the interferometer lies the story of the latest and one of the most amazing successes of astronomical science, the measurement of the discs of stars. No one has ever seen the disc of a star. The greatest telescopes do not show it. They disclose only a point of light, and the greater the telescope itself and the perfection of its lens, the smaller is that light point. Measurement of a star's disc accordingly requires some means other than direct vision. Light, being composite, is not brought by the lens to a geometrical point, and therein lies the work of the interferometer.

A telescope must produce not only light, but darkness, and the darkness is incomplete. Some light waves escape into the "black" areas. The beginning of the interferometer was the blinding out of the great Yerkes 40in. telescope. Lens everywhere save at two small opposite areas near its edge. Thus two widely separated apertures were created, the light from the star passing through these being bent inward by the lens, till meeting the twin rays formed a band, or fringe, of alternate light and dark spaces. From the 40in. Yerkes telescope Professor Michelson moved on to the 100in. reflector at Mount Wilson, and a yet wider separation being required, he thought of eliminating the lens, using only two small adjustable mirrors to enter the starlight. A frail girder thrown across the Mount Wilson telescope enabled the little mirrors to be placed 20ft. apart, the starlight they received being reflected on to the telescope's 100in. mirror.

This constituted the interferometer. It is not possible in brief space to explain the working of the instrument, the basic law of which is that the quality and appearance of the "fringe" of light and darkness depends on the width of disc of the star observed. The instrument was applied on December 13, 1920, to the giant star Betelgeuse, which was the first star of all the host in the heavens to be accurately measured. The distance of this great sun, as well as the refinement of the measurement, may be understood when it is said that Betelgeuse presents to earth a disc approximately equal to that of a half-penny copper coin viewed at a distance of fifty miles. But few stars, however, can be measured by the 20ft. interferometer, and Professor Hale is now constructing one of 50ft. The principle is thirty years old, but like many another of the aids to the advancement of science, its possibilities were never explored till Professor Michelson took them up.

The instrument has a further application of great value in the measurement of close double stars.

Mr. Post Wheeler, Councillor of the American Embassy, accepted the gold medal from the hands of Professor Eddington, the president, the recipient not being able to attend. The United States, Mr. Post Wheeler observed, looked with great pride upon the achievements of its sons in the arts and sciences. America would be particularly pleased and gratified by the award of this medal by the Royal Astronomical Society of a nation with whom they were in such close contact and association, and in whose findings they had the utmost confidence.

of action which is bound to accrue in most cases would be productive of far greater benefits to all concerned than the isolated actions and general uncertainty regarding the views of others which obtain to such a large extent amongst the various Chambers at present. On behalf of the Chamber I wish to extend an invitation to all the National Chambers to consult with each other regarding matters of general interest which come before them, either direct, or through the offices of this Chamber, which perhaps is the best channel, being internationally constituted.

Membership: The roll of membership shows an increase of 13 as compared with last year. Three members resigned owing to amalgamation with another member, and 16 new members were enrolled.

The report and accounts were then passed, and the following Committee was appointed:—Sir Edward Pearce (who will be chairman for the ensuing year), and Messrs. R. M. Austin, B. C. Haile, P. W. Massey, V. Meynard, M. Nodaria, J. R. Shaw, N. Lees Smith and G. H. Stitt.

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#### LAWN TENNIS.

##### H.K.O.O. TOURNAMENT.

Several matches were played off yesterday in the Hongkong Cricket Club's tennis tournament. Among the games to be played to-day are:—

Two in the championship: Singles between S. E. Green v. Wong P. K. and E. Busch v. O. Rumball.

Yesterday's results were:—

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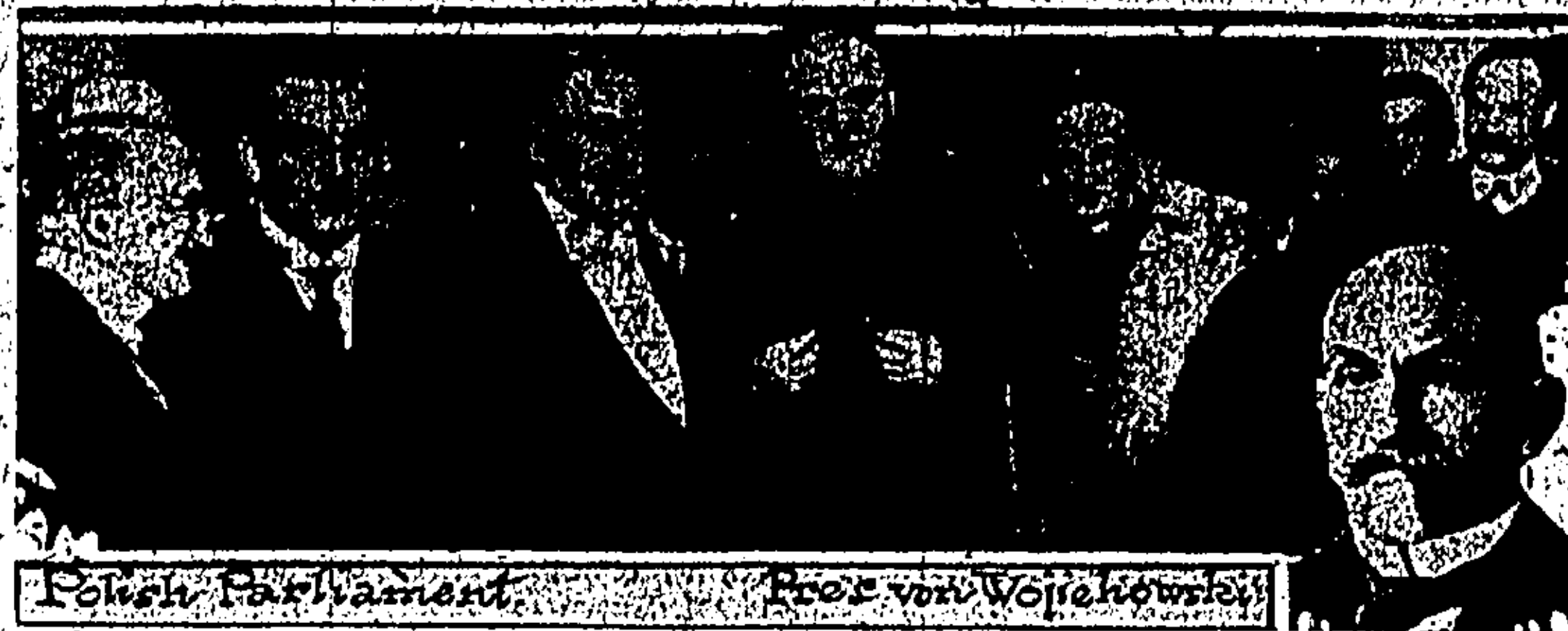


Sir Horace Plunkett.

The Foxrock home of Sir Horace Plunkett, noted Irish leader, near Dublin, has been destroyed by the Republicans because he gave support to the Irish Free State. One of his sons was executed by the British for taking part in the famous Easter uprising.



Had begun suit for divorce against her husband when he suddenly died leaving her the income of \$1,000,000 trust fund. Three children receive the income of the remaining \$2,000,000. The day after her husband's death Mrs. Griffin married Lieutenant-Commander Paul Henry Bastedo, United States Navy, an old friend of the Griffin family.



Stanislas von Wojciehowski, elected President of Poland following the assassination of President Narutowicz, whose murderer has just been executed. The photograph, made at the opening of the new Polish Parliament, shows Deputy Korfanty, Marshal Trompchinsky, one of the leading candidates for the Presidency: Cardinal Kakowski, Archbishop of Warsaw, and Rabbi Perlmutter, formerly a Deputy in Parliament.



Miss Donna Ruth Crissinger.

Miss Donna Ruth Crissinger, daughter of the Governor of the American Federal Reserve Board, has won distinction in the literary field. She has already written many fine short stories and poems, and her first novel is to be published shortly.



M. Cachin.

M. Cachin, Communist member of the French Chamber of Deputies, has been arrested as a result of his stand against the French invasion of the Ruhr. He will be charged with inviting the German miners in the Ruhr to strike against the French.



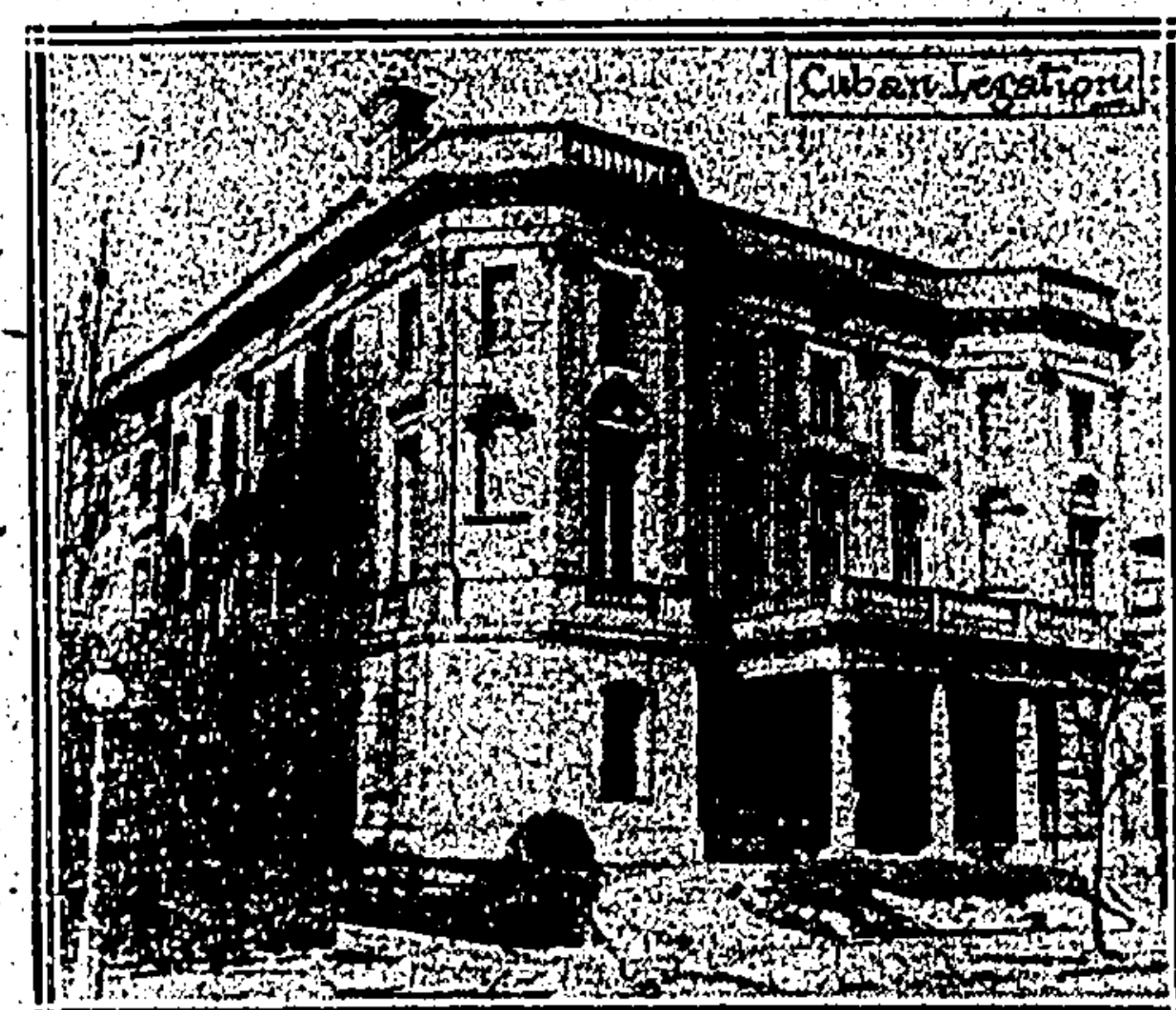
Taking suit against the Employers' Liability Assurance Company for \$7,500. Her husband died mysteriously, supposedly from diphtheria under his tongue.



Nathan L. Straus, New York multi-millionaire banker and philanthropist, known the world over for his charity, celebrated his 75th birthday with the members of his family. The photograph shows the birthday party.



Nicolai Lenin, head of the Soviet Government, now slowly recovering from paralysis. Leonid Krassin is his right-hand man.



Cuban Legation in Washington, where a big "liquor leak" is reported to have been unearthed by "dry" enforcement officers. It is alleged Washington bootleggers have reaped immense profits from the sale of liquors obtained from servants there. The Legation, as in the case of all foreign legations, is considered foreign territory and can import as much liquor as it wishes. The Cuban Charge d'Affaires has called at the State Department in connection with the charge.



Mrs. Florence Varney is suing her mother-in-law, Mrs. Clara A. Varney for \$25,000 damages for alleged alienation of the affection of her husband.

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